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Title: Detection of Bordetella

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b). Applicants hereby claim status as a Small Entity under 37 CFR §1.27.

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